

## II. REMARKS

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's Interview conducted telephonically between Examiner Jorge A. Casanova (571-270-3563) and Applicant's attorney, Wesley Ashton, on June 29, 2009, wherein Examiner Casanova notified Applicant's Attorney that claims 15-19 and 32-36 have been allowed, and that claims 49-53 contain allowable subject matter.

By the present amendment, withdrawn claims 2, 7, 9, 11-14, 20, 24, 26, 28-31, 37, 41, 43, 45-48 and 54 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications in order to pursue patent protection for the subject matter of the non-elected embodiments of the present invention.

Claims 15-19, 32-36 and 49-53 have been amended. Specifically, claims 15-19 and 32-36 have been amended to improve grammar and clarity, and not for a reason related to patentability. Thus, the present amendment has no further limiting effect on the scope of claims 15-19 and 32-36.

Claims 49-53 have been amended to improve grammar and clarity. The preamble of claims 49-52 has been amended to recite

“[a] program stored on a storage device, wherein the program makes a computer convert an expression form of a tree data structure that is represented by a parent-child relationship, wherein the program makes the computer execute the steps of”

as supported by previous claims 49-52. The preamble of claim 53 has been amended to recite

“[a] computer that converts an expression form of a tree data structure that is represented by a parent-child relationship on a storage device,”

as supported by previous claim 53.

The present amendment also does not add any new matter to the above captioned application.

**III. CONCLUSION**

Claims 15-19, 32-36 and 49-53 are in condition for allowance for the reasons of record.

Questions are welcomed by the below-signed attorney for Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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